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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS



The trade sentiment for hens and 16-24 lb. toms continued to be steady to firm. Demand mixed and ranged from light to good with buyers purchasing requirements varied. Offerings limited for prompt deliveries and light to moderate for forward sales with toms in the tightest position. No whole body trading reported. Limited trading reported for parts and meats. Hen drums tight and trading at higher levels, 15-20% skin added mechanical separated turkey steady to weak.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

No sales reported. Inquiry good for frozen thigh meat, light to fair for tom dums going to Asia and Mexico.

SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	82-89
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	79-89
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	79-89
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	82-89
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	88-103

LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	79-91
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	82-99
BREASTS 10-12#	163-198
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP	

<u>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</u>	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	80-88
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	81-88
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	70-71
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	70-72
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	76-78

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

	OFFERS	SALES AVG	WTD (000)	VOLUME	FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/ WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/ VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	65-66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	65-66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	66-66.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	65.5-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-66.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 17 MAY 1999.

Trade sentiment steady to firm on thigh meat, drums steady to fully steady with hens strongest, 15-20% skin added mechanically separated turkey steady to instances weak with fresh softest. Inquiry fair to good on thigh meat with best interest noted on frozen for export, light to good on tom drums. Offerings of frozen thigh meat light to adequate, however, some sellers continue to offer older inventories into marketing channels at price levels lower than new production.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		T	97.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	128.81	315
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		T	91.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	15.56	224
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	18.00		18.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	22.74	47
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	23.00		23.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	40.00	80
NECKS, TOM		F	15.81	32
NECKS, HEN		R	16.00	9
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	175.00		175.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	187.00		187.00	40
THIGH MEAT		F	46.00	64
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	45.91	46
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	110.24	102
SCAPULA MEAT		F	95.14	35
TENDERLOINS		F	139.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	68.00		68.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	14.00	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	15.75-17.00		15.84	430
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	14.79	376
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	22.50	30
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	19.00		19.00	208
TAILS		F	17.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	13.67	608
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	46.45	628

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted. 3/ Without tenderloins. 4/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.